

Bloomington Cave Stipulations

1. This permit neither authorizes nor implies permission for the intentional or unintentional damage or removal of cave resources, such as: archaeological and historical artifacts, natural materials or features, plant and animal life, or any item of public property. Violations of federal or state laws, general conditions or special stipulations are punishable, upon conviction, by fines up to \$100,000.00, or imprisonment not to exceed one year, or both (Federal Cave Resources protection Act of 1988, 43 CFR 8364.1, 43 CFR 8360.0-7).
2. This authorization is validated only upon signature of the Permittees, and is valid only for those individuals whose signatures appear hereon.
3. Each person in the caving party will wear a safety helmet (hard hat) with chin strap at all times while in the cave(s) and have in their possession at least three sources of light, one of which will be attached to the helmet. Candles, matches and cigarette lighters are not acceptable as second light sources.
4. This authorization is issued only for the time period specified on the face of this permit. It is revocable for any breach of conditions hereof, or at the discretion of the Authorized Officer of the Bureau of Land Management at any time upon notice.
5. Permittees shall exercise diligence in protection from damage of the land and property of the United States covered by this authorization, and shall pay the United States for any damage resulting from negligence or from the violation of the terms of this authorization or of any law or regulations applicable to public lands.
6. Permittees agree as a condition precedent to the issuance of this authorization, to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the United States and/or its agencies and representatives against and from any and all demands, claims, or liabilities of every nature whatsoever including, but not limited to, damages to property, injuries to or death of persons arising directly or indirectly from or connected in any way with the use and occupancy of the lands and cave(s) described on this authorization.
7. Overnight Camping is not permitted within Bloomington Cave nor within a ¼ mile radius of the gated entrances to the cave.
8. No Fires, including campfires or other burning, are permitted within Bloomington Cave or within a ¼ mile radius of the gated entrances to the cave.
9. No litter is to be left within Bloomington Cave or elsewhere on public lands.
10. No solid human waste is to be deposited in Bloomington Cave.
11. No route marking and/or other marking or defacement of the cave walls, ceilings, or floors is permitted.
12. No damage to or removal of cave geological formations is permitted.
13. Do not remove, relocate, or tamper with any scientific instruments or devices that you may encounter inside the cave.
14. All vehicle parking must be within the designated parking area at Bloomington Cave.

15. The gate lock is to be secured while permittees are in the cave (secure the lock but don't lock yourself in) and before you depart from the cave area. You must determine there are no other people still in the cave before locking the gate. Mechanical problems with locks will be promptly reported to the authorizing officer.
16. The gate combination lock must be returned to 0000 prior to leaving the cave.
17. A completed Post-Use report is requested to be returned to the St. George Field Office within 72 hours.

Signature of Permittee/Group Leader

Date